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I spoke TO
Mr. Crosby on this -
it is 180° from guidance
given TO Schlesinger -
Friedheim is getting
out a correction ASAP.

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SUBJ: PUBLIC AFFAIRS GUIDANCE: MIDDLE EAST CRISIS

REFS: A. SECDEF 8361 DTG 122014Z OCT 73. B. SECDEF 7330 DTG 060153Z OCT 73.

SECSTATE PLANS PRESS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON AFTERNOON OF 24 OCTOBER. STATE SPOKESMAN SAID 23 OCT THAT INTENSIVE DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY IS UNDERWAY NOW TO BRING THE CEASEFIRE INTO EFFECT. NO COMMENT GUIDANCE REMAINS IN EFFECT FOR ALL DOD COMMANDS/PERSONNEL AFFECTED. ASD(PA) IS STATING IN WASHINGTON 23 OCTOBER IN RESPONSE TO PRESS QUESTIONS AND WITHOUT ANY ELABORATION WHATSOEVER QUOTE AS THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS SAID INTENSIVE DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY IS UNDERWAY. MEANTIME THE U.S. AND SOVIET SUPPLY AIRLIFTS TO THE MIDDLE EAST CONTINUE AT A SOMEWHAT REDUCED RATE. SEALIFT SUPPLY ALSO CONTINUES ON BOTH SIDES WITH NO MEASURABLE CHANGE IN RATE IN RECENT HOURS. WE WILL ADD ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO THIS COMMENT. UNQUOTE.

SIGNED J. W. FRIEDHEIM
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* The result of a garble in the guidance
somewhere between STATE & DOD, or
between Schlesinger & Friedheim.

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